

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 641

By Sherrell

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District, has played a vital role in the development and growth of the nation in peace and in war; and

WHEREAS, for more than 200 years, the Corps has supported the nation's river-based commerce, protected established population centers, provided disaster response, and constructed military facilities to protect our shores; and

WHEREAS, the 750 civilians and U.S. Army officers of the Nashville District continue to serve the region, the Corps, and the nation by providing collaborative water resource engineering solutions, world class public infrastructure management, and environmental stewardship for the Cumberland-Tennessee River Systems; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville District is responsible for navigable waterways in the Cumberland and Tennessee River Basins; flood risk reduction; hydropower and recreation at nine multipurpose projects in the Cumberland River Basin; and protection, preservation, restoration, and improvement of natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville District provides support for military operations and overseas deployments; provides emergency management support for disasters throughout the nation, and provided the State of Tennessee with Alternative Care Facilities in Nashville and Memphis during the COVID-19 crisis; and

WHEREAS, the District has forty-five field offices in Tennessee, Kentucky, and Alabama; 1,175 miles of commercial navigation channels; fourteen navigation projects, consisting of nineteen lock chambers, and nine hydropower plants that generate about \$32 million in power annually; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville District's lakes rank in the top most visited lakes nationwide, ten lakes with 4,607 miles of shoreline and 424,629 acres of land and water and 147 Corps-managed recreation areas providing camping, picnicking, launching, hiking, and other outdoor recreation opportunities for 32.5 million visitors each year; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville District is part of the Waverly Flood Reduction Task Force, a team of federal, state, and local partners to assist in the flood recovery and future solutions, and is conducting the Waverly Floodplain Management Services Special Study of the Trace Creek Watershed; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and welcome U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District, Commander Lieutenant Colonel Joseph M. Sahl, Deputy District Commander Major Todd A. Mainwaring, and Deputy District Engineer Lindsay Harbour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.